

General Assembly

## Substitute Bill No. 5063

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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OR RENEWAL OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS BY THE CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 22a-266 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 3 passage):
- 4 (b) (1) Any contracts authorized by this chapter shall be entered into
- 5 by the authority [(1)] (A) on the same basis and subject to the same
- 6 limitations and considerations applicable to municipal and regional
- 7 resources recovery authorities pursuant to subsection (c) of section 7-
- 8 273bb, and [(2)] (B) pursuant to the contracting procedures adopted
- 9 under section 22a-268a, except that in entering into a contract for a
- 10 resources recovery facility, solid waste facility, volume reduction plant
- 11 or solid waste management system, the authority shall consider the
- 12 best interests of the municipality or region to be served by such
- 13 facility, plant or system.
- 14 (2) The authority shall not enter into or renew any contract
- 15 authorized by this chapter with any person who has illegally used or
- 16 <u>obtained any property or equipment owned by the authority.</u>
- 17 Sec. 2. Section 22a-268 of the general statutes is repealed and the

18 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The authority shall utilize private industry, by contract, to carry out the business, design, operating, management, marketing, planning and research and development functions of the authority, unless the authority determines that it is in the public interest to adopt another course of action. The authority is hereby empowered to enter into long-term contracts with private persons for the performance of any such functions of the authority which, in the opinion of the authority, can desirably and conveniently be carried out by a private person under contract provided any such contract shall contain such terms and conditions as will enable the authority to retain overall supervision and control of the business, design, operating, management, transportation, marketing, planning and research and development functions to be carried out or to be performed by such private persons pursuant to such contract. Such contracts shall be entered into either on a competitive negotiation or competitive bidding basis, and the authority in its discretion may select the type of contract it deems most prudent to utilize, pursuant to the contracting procedures adopted under section 22a-268a and considering the scope of work, the management complexities associated therewith, the extent of current and future technological development requirements and the best interests of the state. Whenever a long-term contract is entered into on other than a competitive bidding basis, the criteria and procedures therefor shall conform to applicable provisions of subdivision (16) of subsection (a) and subsections (b) and (c) of section 22a-266, as amended by this act, provided however, that any contract for a period of over five years in duration, or any contract for which the annual consideration is greater than fifty thousand dollars shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the authority's full board of directors. The terms and conditions of such contracts shall be determined by the authority, as shall the fees or other similar compensation to be paid to such persons for such contracts. The authority shall not enter into or renew a contract with any person who has illegally used or obtained any property or equipment owned by the authority. The contracts

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entered into by the authority shall not be subject to the approval of any other state department, office or agency. However, copies of all contracts of the authority shall be maintained by the authority as public records, subject to the proprietary rights of any party to the contract. Nothing of the aforesaid shall be deemed to restrict the discretion of the authority to utilize its own staff and work force for the performance of any of its assigned responsibilities and functions whenever, in the discretion of the authority, it becomes necessary, convenient or desirable to do so. Any litigation with respect to any terms, conditions or provisions of any contract of the authority, or the performance or nonperformance of same by either party, shall be tried before a judge of the Superior Court of Connecticut.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	from passage	22a-266(b)	
Sec. 2	from passage	22a-268	

GAE Joint Favorable Subst.